

## PUBLIC NOTICE

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### OHIO EPA AND US EPA ISSUE DRAFT RENEWAL HAZARDOUS WASTE PERMIT TO ROSS INCINERATION SERVICES, GRAFTON, OHIO

On December 23, 2002, Ohio EPA and US EPA issued a draft renewal Hazardous Waste Facility Installation and Operation Permit (Permit) to Ross Incineration Services (Ross Incineration) for its facility at 36790 Giles Road, Grafton, Ohio 44044. The EPA Identification Number for this facility is OHD048415665.

#### **Why does Ross Incineration need a Permit?**

Ross Incineration is a commercial incineration facility that treats hazardous waste received from off-site. The facility also stores hazardous waste in containers and tanks; treats waste in tanks, a filter press and in an incinerator. Typical hazardous waste types received at the facility include: halogenated and non-halogenated spent solvents, paints, off-specification commercial chemical products and still residues. Wastes generated at the facility consist primarily of treatment residuals from the incineration process, which are sent off-site for disposal. The draft renewal Permit contains the conditions under which the facility must operate if the Permit receives final approval. To issue this draft Permit, Ohio EPA determined that the Permit application is complete and meets appropriate standards and that the applicant has a history of compliance with relevant environmental laws and demonstrates sufficient reliability, expertise and competency to operate a hazardous waste facility under Chapters 3734., 3704. and 6111. of the Revised Code, all rules and standards adopted under them, and terms and conditions of a hazardous waste facility installation and operation permit, given the potential for harm to the public health and safety and the environment that could result from the irresponsible operation of the facility. When issued, the renewal Permit will allow Ross Incineration to continue storing hazardous waste in containers and tanks and continue treating hazardous waste in tanks, a filter press and by incineration. It will also require Ross Incineration to investigate and, if necessary, clean up any contamination from hazardous wastes or constituents that may be at the facility.

Some RCRA regulations have not been authorized in the state of Ohio, therefore US EPA must issue a permit to cover those regulations. Ross Incineration's complete RCRA permit is comprised of both the US EPA and Ohio EPA permits.

#### **How can I tell Ohio EPA and US EPA what I think about this draft Permit?**

You can attend the public meeting and present your comments in person or submit written comments that are clear, concise, and well documented. Or, you are welcome to do both. Everyone who wants to comment at the public meeting will be allowed to speak. You should limit your presentation to five minutes and, if possible, submit a written copy of your comments to US EPA and Ohio EPA at the meeting.

#### **When and where will Ohio EPA and US EPA hold a Public Meeting?**

Ohio EPA and US EPA will hold a public meeting on February 3, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. It will be at the Grafton-Midview Public Library (Community Room), 983 Main Street, Grafton, Ohio 44044-1492.

#### **When and how do I submit written comments?**

You can submit written comments anytime between December 24, 2002 and February 14, 2003. Send your comments to Ohio EPA, Division of Hazardous Waste Management, Attn: Regulatory and Information Services, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049, telephone number (614) 644-2977, fax number (614) 728-1245, e-mail: [dhwmcomments@epa.state.oh.us](mailto:dhwmcomments@epa.state.oh.us). You can submit written comments about the US EPA portion of the draft permit to John Gaitskill, DW-8J, United States Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Illinois 60466-3590, fax number (312) 353-4788, or email: [gaitskill.john@epa.gov](mailto:gaitskill.john@epa.gov)

#### **Where can I review the Permit Application and draft renewal Permit?**

You can review these at one of the following locations:

**Grafton-Midview Public Library**, 983 Main Street, Grafton, Ohio 44044 (440) 926-3317;

**Ohio EPA Northeast District Office**, 2110 East Aurora Road, Twinsburg, Ohio 44087 (330) 963-1200;

**Ohio EPA, Division of Hazardous Waste Management**, 122 South Front Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215 (614) 644-2917; and,

**United States Environmental Protection Agency**, 8<sup>th</sup> floor, 77 West Jackson Blvd, Chicago, Illinois 60604. Call John Gaitskill at 312 886-6795 to make arrangements to view the documents.

#### **What will Ohio EPA and US EPA do with the comments?**

After carefully considering public comments, Ohio EPA and US EPA will reconsider the draft Permit, making any necessary changes, and issue or deny the final Permit. Ohio EPA and US EPA will issue a "response to public comments," specifying any changes made to the draft Permit. If you commented on the draft Permit, Ohio EPA and US EPA will send you a copy of the "response to public comments" and the final permit decision.